

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**Please rewrite the claims as follows:**

1. (Currently Amended)      An image sensing apparatus comprising:  
  
        an image sensing unit adapted to sense an object;  
  
        a signal processing unit adapted to convert an image signal  
outputted from said image sensing unit into digital image;  
  
        a communication unit adapted to transmit a resume signal for  
release to a computer connected to said image sensing apparatus; and  
  
        a switch for indicating said image sensing apparatus to transmit  
said resume signal to the computer,  
  
        wherein before said ~~résumé~~ resume signal is transmitted to said  
computer, said image sensing apparatus determines whether said computer  
is in a suspended state or not, and  
  
        if it is determined that said computer is in the suspended state, said  
image sensing apparatus transmits said resume signal to said computer to  
release the suspended state.
  
2. (Currently Amended)      The image sensing apparatus according to  
claim 1, further ~~comprising~~; comprising:  
  
        a recording unit adapted to record said digital image in an internal  
or external memory.

3. (Currently Amended) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said switch having a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and wherein if said first contact is turned on by said switch, said image sensing apparatus enables to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

4. (Currently Amended) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said switch having a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and

wherein if said second contact is turned on by said switch, said image sensing apparatus enables to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

5. (Currently Amended) The image sensing apparatus according to wherein said switch having a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and

wherein if said second contact is turned on by said switch and a recording of said digital image is completed, said image sensing apparatus enables to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

6. (Original) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said signal generation means is a particular switch provided in said image sensing apparatus.

7. (Previously Presented) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a display unit adapted to display information indicating that said computer is in the suspended state.

8. (Previously Presented) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said communication unit is conformed to USB (Universal Serial Bus) specification.

9. (Currently Amended) A method used in an image sensing apparatus including (a) an image sensing unit adapted to sense an object; (b) a signal processing unit adapted to convert an image signal outputted from said image sensing unit into digital image (c) a communication unit adapted to transmit a resume signal ~~for release~~ to a computer connected to said image sensing apparatus; and ~~(e)~~ (d) a switch for indicating said image sensing apparatus to transmit said resume signal to the computer, said method comprising the steps of:

before said resume signal is transmitted to said computer,  
determining whether said computer ~~apparatus~~ is in a suspended state or  
not; and

if it is determined that said computer is in the suspended state,  
transmitting said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended  
state.

10. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium  
storing a program for providing a method used in an image sensing  
apparatus, said image sensing apparatus includes (a) an image sensing unit  
adapted to sense an object; (b) a signal processing unit adapted to convert  
an image signal outputted from said image sensing unit into digital image  
(c) a communication unit adapted to transmit a resume signal ~~for release~~ to  
a computer connected to said image sensing apparatus; and (d) a switch  
for indicating said image sensing apparatus to transmit said resume signal  
to the computer, said method comprising the steps of:

before said resume signal is transmitted to said computer,  
determining whether said computer is in a suspended state or not; and

if it is determined that said computer is in the suspended state,  
transmitting said resume signal to said computer to release the suspension  
state.

11-13 (Canceled)

14. (Previously Presented) The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein before said digital image is transmitted to said computer, said image sensing apparatus determines whether said computer is in said suspended state or not.

15. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of:

recording said digital image in an internal or external memory.

16. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 9, wherein said switch ~~having~~ has a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and

wherein the method further ~~comprising~~ comprises the step of:

if said first contact is turned on by said switch, enabling to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

17. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 9, wherein said switch ~~having~~ has a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and

wherein the method further ~~comprising~~ comprises the step of:

if said second contact is turned on by said switch, enabling to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

18. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 9, wherein said switch ~~having~~ has a first contact ~~to start preparing for sensing said digital image~~ and a second contact ~~to start generating said digital image~~, and

wherein the method further ~~comprising~~ comprises the step of:

if said second contact is turned on by said switch and said image sensing operation and a recording of said digital image is completed, enabling to transmit said resume signal to said computer to release the suspended state.

19. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of:

displaying information indicating that said computer is in the suspended state.

20. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein said communication unit is conformed to USB (Universal Serial Bus) specification.

21. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein  
before said digital image is transmitted to said computer, said determining  
step determines whether said computer is in said suspended state or not.